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Final Reclamation of Office Complex, Desert Mound

Mine, ACT/021/003, Iron County, Utah

On April 15, 1985, Rick Smith, Pam Grubaugh-Littig and Steve Cox made a brief inspection of the Desert Mound Office Site. The purpose of the visit was to approve final regrading and seeding of the site. Mr. Roy Benson, U. S. Steel, had requested the approval so he could release the reclamation contractor.

The office complex has been completely reclaimed. All surface facilities have been removed, foundations have been broken up and buried or hauled away. Compacted areas were ripped and the entire area seeded. After viewing the site, it was determined that the reclamation effort was adequate.

U. S. Steel has now completed all of the reclamation which they are responsible for with the exception of the haul road and the Blackhawk fines area. U. S. Steel must still submit the required documents showing that the county has assumed responsibility for the road and reclaim the Blackhawk fines area. Reclaimed areas will be eligible for bond release in 1988-89.

Mr. Benson also indicated that a measuring rod had been placed in the impoundment at the Mountain Lion Pit and the depth of water would be monitored monthly. Slope stability of the waste dumps will be monitored by placing a series of stakes to the edge of the dump. These stakes will be measured for elevation and distance annually to detect movement.

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